

Duties and powers of police.

SEC. 20. The police shall see that the laws, ordinances and orders of the board of commissioners are enforced; to preserve the peace of the town by suppressing disturbances and apprehending offenders against the laws and town ordinances, and for that purpose shall have all the powers of sheriffs and constables: shall execute all precepts lawfully directed to them by the mayor, and shall be allowed the same fees as sheriffs are allowed.

By-laws.

SEC. 21. The commissioners of said town may make by-laws and ordinances for the government of said town, and they may attach penalties to the violation of the same, not inconsistent with the laws of the state. They may, under the power of section thirty-eight hundred of The Code, lay a tax on real and personal estate: *Provided*, the taxes so levied do not exceed thirty cents on the one hundred dollars' valuation thereof, nor shall the poll tax annually exceed one dollar.

Taxation.

License taxes.

SEC. 22. That in addition to the subjects of taxation for state purposes, the commissioners shall have power to levy and collect a license tax not exceeding (\$30) thirty dollars, on the following subjects, to-wit: itinerant merchants, peddlers or auctioneers who shall sell or offer to sell within the limits of said town, each express and railroad company having an office or depot within the town limits, photographers or artists, each broker, each distiller of fruit or grain, each livery stable, each hotel or restaurant keeper, each dray, each barber shop, each insurance agent, each dentist or physician and each dealer in spirituous liquors, provided, liquor dealers may be charged a license tax of fifty dollars quarterly in advance, on each show or sleight-of-hand performance, each bowling alley, each pool table.

County commissioners not to grant retail liquor license in town without consent of town commissioners.

SEC. 23. That it shall not be lawful for the commissioners of Johnston county to grant any license to retail spirituous liquors within the limits of the town or within one half mile thereof without permission first obtained from the board of commissioners for the town, to be presented by the applicant to the county commissioners at the time he applies to them for license; and if any license shall be granted by the county commissioners without permission in writing from the said town commissioners, attested by the clerk of the board of town commissioners, and filed with the clerk of the board of county commissioners, the same shall be utterly void, and the person obtaining such license shall be subject to indictment, and shall forfeit and pay to the town the sum of twenty-five dollars.

Penalties.

SEC. 24. That the board of commissioners of said town shall not have power to impose for any offence a larger penalty than fifty dollars, and all penalties imposed by law relating to the town of Benson or by this act, by any ordinance of the town, unless otherwise provided, shall be recoverable in the name of the town of Benson before the mayor or any tribunal having jurisdiction thereof.